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This communication is in response to the advisory action of 9/15/2004, rejecting applicant s amendment after final. Applicant herewith files a Request for Continuing Examination and the appropriate fee. Entry of the previous response, including the proposed claim amendments and the proposed amendment to the specification, is requested. The pending claims are preliminarily amended (below).

Entry of the IDS submitted August 11, 2004, that was not entered, is requested under 37 1.97 (b) (4), under which it is believed that the IDS can be entered along with submission of this RCE without additional fee.

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